

# “ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

10 a.m.

February 20, 2022

*\* indicates “stand if you are able.” UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

INTROIT *“Sanctuary” (2X)* TFWS #2164

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: The risen Christ is with us.

**All: Praise the Lord!**

\*HYMN *“God of Grace and God of Glory” Verses 1, 3, 4* UMH #577

## CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: God sets before us this day a new covenant.

**All: We will seek God’s blessings.**

One: Choose life, that you and your descendants may live.

**All: We will choose life.**

One: Love the Lord your God, and hold fast to God’s holy ways.

**All: We will follow in the ways of our ancestors who abided in faith.**

One: Come, let us worship

And together let us pray.

**All: Generous God, we come before you today, seeking your blessings and your protection from the allure of sin. Heal us with your love, that we might love one another. Show us the truth we have found in Jesus. Embolden our courage, that we may seize the opportunities you place before us. Strengthen our resolve to spread your word and ways, and remind us that your guidance is always present through the power of your Holy Spirit. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN *“Thy Word Is a Lamp”* UMH #601

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES *“Children’s Message”*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Let all who wish to know the ways of life and death listen for the word of God. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

THE HEBREW READING Genesis 28:18-22

THE PSALM READING Psalm 100

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 6:32-38

One: The Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *“Defined by Generosity”* Rev. Adam Hamilton

Personal Testimony Debbie Holland

\*HYMN *“Awesome God” (2X)* TFWS #2040

## INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

*(From UMH page 7)*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Giver of life, lead us into the light You alone know the secret places of our hearts, the dark places where we hide from your presence. You alone understand our pride and envy, the strife we would pursue against others, our self-imposed limits of belief and faithful action. We ask for your forgiveness. Shine your light in our darkness, that we may see you more clearly and choose the light of your blessings and the glory of your mercy and grace. Amen.**

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God forgives our iniquity, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy. God removes our transgressions from us, as far as the east is from the west.

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

**Offering our gifts to God is a holy act. In this sacred moment, let us offer our gifts and our lives to the holy work of God.**

## WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *“Prayer of St. Francis”* by Allen Pote  
CUMC Adult Choir

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.  
Where there is a hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord.  
Where there is doubt, let there be faith.

Oh, Lord make an instrument of thy peace.  
Where there is despair, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, let there be light.  
Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much  
seek to be consoled as to consol.

To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

Oh, Lord make an instrument of thy peace.  
Where there is a hatred, let me sow love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
and it is not pardoning that we are pardoned.  
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen

\*DOXOLOGY            *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*            UMH #95

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

O God, your goodness and generosity and limitless and eternal. We bring before you our gifts, as echoes of your generosity, that they may be used for good. We know that it is more blessed to give than to receive. May our giving be a sign of this blessing for others and for our course in faith. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

\*HYMN                                    *"We Are Marching"*                                    TFWS #2235-b

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: Go with God's blessings.

**All: We thank God that He has given us life.**

One: Go with God's blessings

**All: We thank God that He sustains us by the power of your Holy Spirit.**

One: Go with God's blessings.

**All: We thank God that He gave Jesus Christ as an offering for us and for our sins.**

One: As people of God, go with God's blessings.

**All: We go to do unto others as we would have them do unto us.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

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**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED**

**NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

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